

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Hon. Joseph A. Greenaway
 : Crim. No. 07-981
 v. :
 : CONTINUANCE ORDER
ARNALDO VALDEZ-HENRIQUEZ :

This matter having come before the Court on the joint application of Christopher J. Christie, United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey (by Christine I. Magdo, Assistant U.S. Attorney) and defendant Arnaldo Valdez-Henriquez (by Peter Toumbekis, Esq.) for an order granting a continuance of the proceedings in the above-captioned matter, and the defendant being aware that he has the right to have the matter brought to trial within 70 days of the date of his appearance before a judicial officer of this court pursuant to Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 3161(c)(1), and as the defendant has requested such a continuance, and for good and sufficient cause shown,

IT IS THE FINDING OF THIS COURT that this action should be continued for the following reasons:

1. Plea negotiations are currently in progress, and both the United States and the defendant desire additional time to finalize a plea agreement, which would render trial of this matter unnecessary;

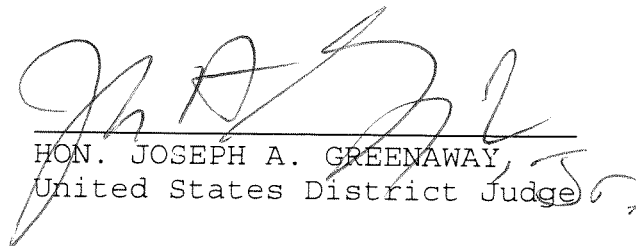
2. Defendant has requested the aforementioned continuance, and the United States has consented; and

3. Pursuant to Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 3161(h)(8), the ends of justice served by granting the continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

WHEREFORE, on this 30th day of April, 2008,

IT IS ORDERED that defense motions shall be filed by May 25, 2008, the government's reply shall be filed by June 9, 2008, the argument of the motions is scheduled for June 19, 2008 at 2:30 p.m., and the trial is scheduled for July 7, 2008; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the period from June 4, 2008, through July 7, 2008, shall be excludable in computing time under the Speedy Trial Act of 1974, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3161(h)(8).


HON. JOSEPH A. GREENAWAY
United States District Judge